

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

- 1) Please delete the following paragraphs between lines 4 and 5 of page 4:

Fig. 5 is a top view of a compartmented container according to another embodiment of the invention.

Fig. 6 is a cross-sectional view taken generally along the line 6-6 of Fig. 5 in a closed position.

Fig. 7 is a cross-sectional view taken generally along the line 6-6 of Fig. 5 in a vented position.

- 2) Please replace the paragraph appearing between lines 15 and 25 on page 7 with the following amended paragraph:

The plurality of ventable areas may be located in different areas on the lid than depicted in FIGs. 1 and 2, including the sidewalls 26 of the lid 14 ~~such as depicted in Fig. 5~~ and other locations of the top wall 24 of the lid 14. It is desirable to locate the plurality of ventable areas near or in the top wall so as to assist in preventing or inhibiting any liquid juices of the food product from escaping the container 10. The liquid juices, if present, should remain in the container 10 as long as the container 10 is not substantially tilted towards any of the plurality of ventable areas 30. It is also contemplated that if a compartmented container is used ~~such as that depicted in Figs. 5-7~~, then at least one ventable area 30 may be located over certain foods. Thus, if a certain food in one of the compartments is the only one to be vented, then the ventable area located nearest to this compartment is opened, while the remaining ones of the ventable areas remain closed.